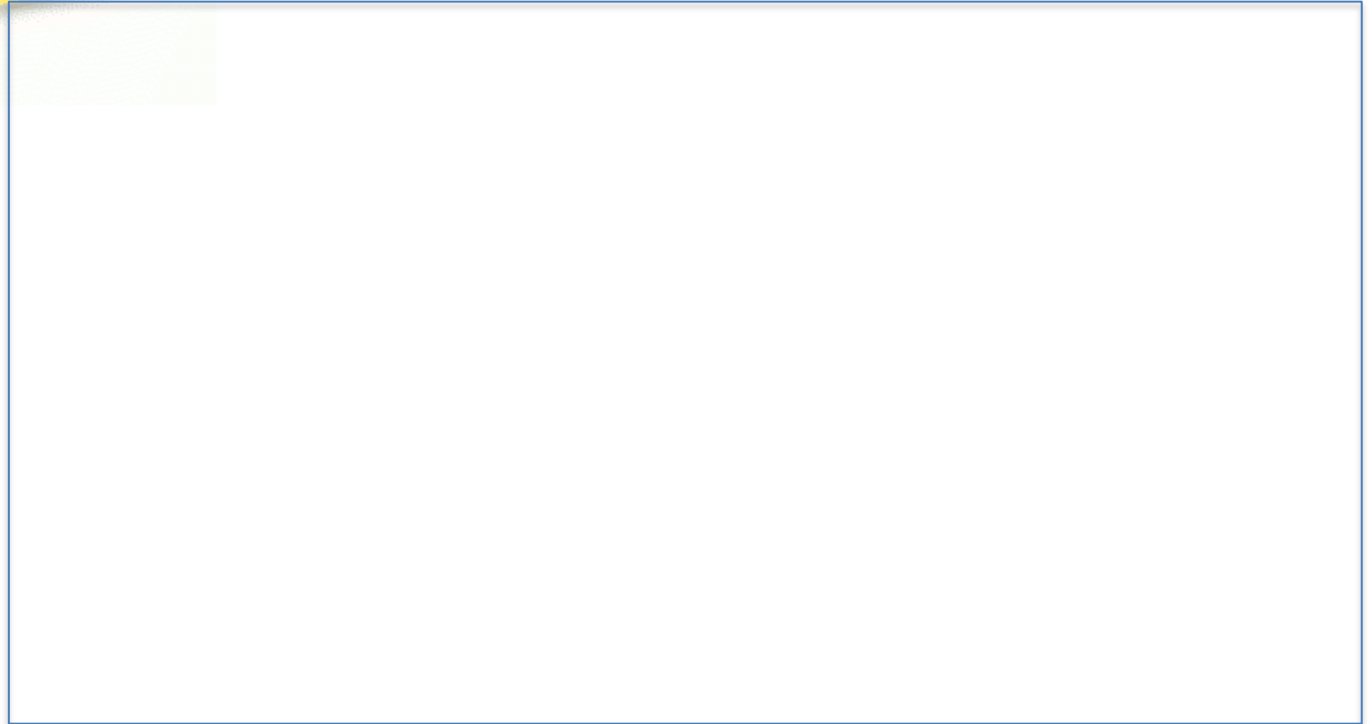


TASK DEFINITION

1. What do I need to do?
2. What information do I need to do it?

What is the « task » in the following?

THE EXPLORATION AND DISCOVERY ASSIGNMENT



1. What is the topic of my research?

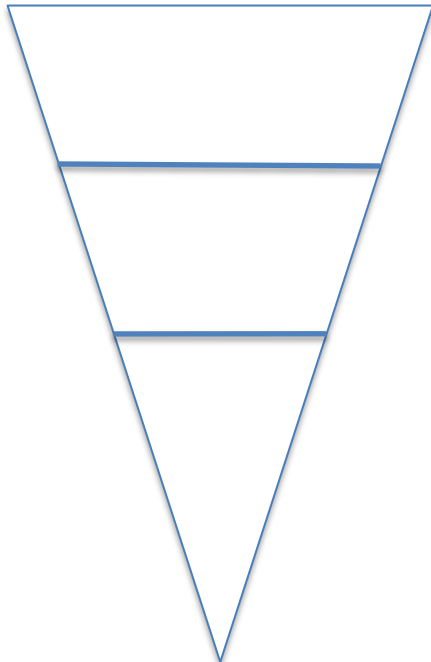
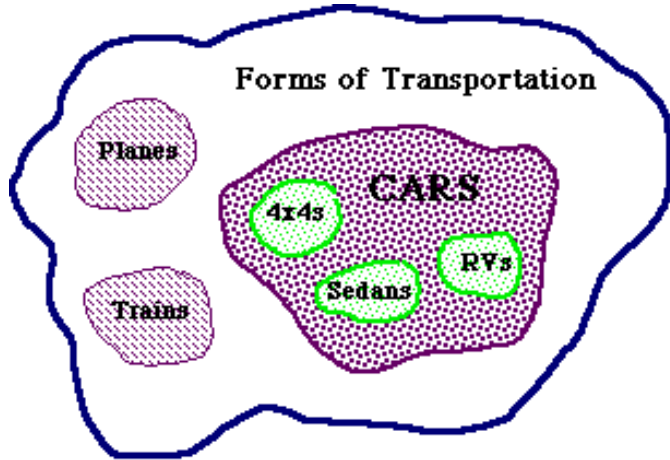


How then is choosing a topic
like nesting boxes?

TOPIC =



A. Use a **graphic organizer**.



B. Do some **background reading**.
Read only for the general idea.

C. Brainstorm questions.

What question have we used so far to narrow down topics?

Part of the topic itself	<i>What kind?</i> <i>What about?</i>
People	<i>Who?</i>
Place	<i>Where?</i>
Time	<i>When?</i>
Consequences	<i>How?</i>

Sea Transportation

General

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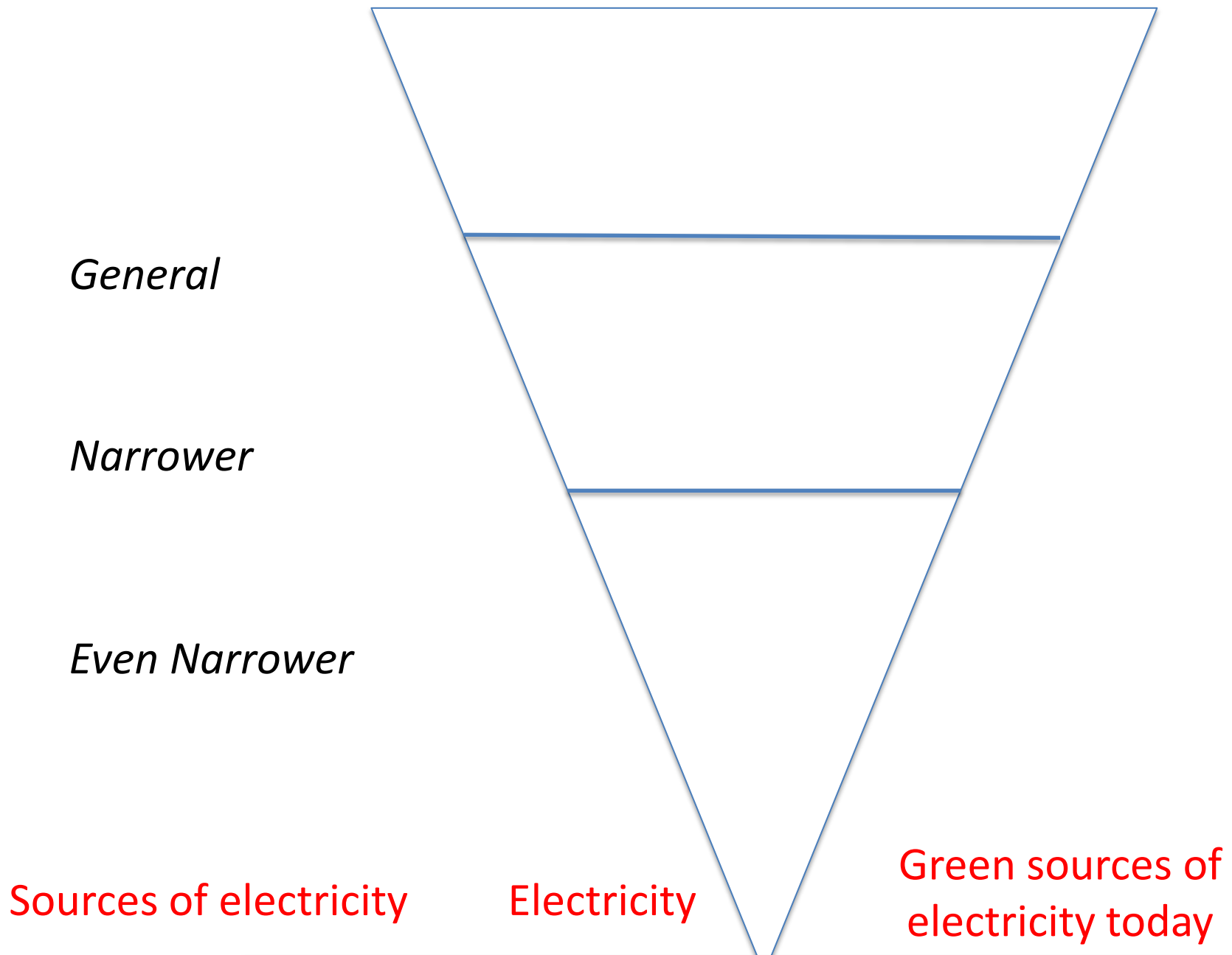
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New South Wales
in Australia

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of New South
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Exploration of
a particular country

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Kinds of Fabric

Fashion

Man-made
fabrics in the last
50 years and
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Review:

What's the first thing I need to do?

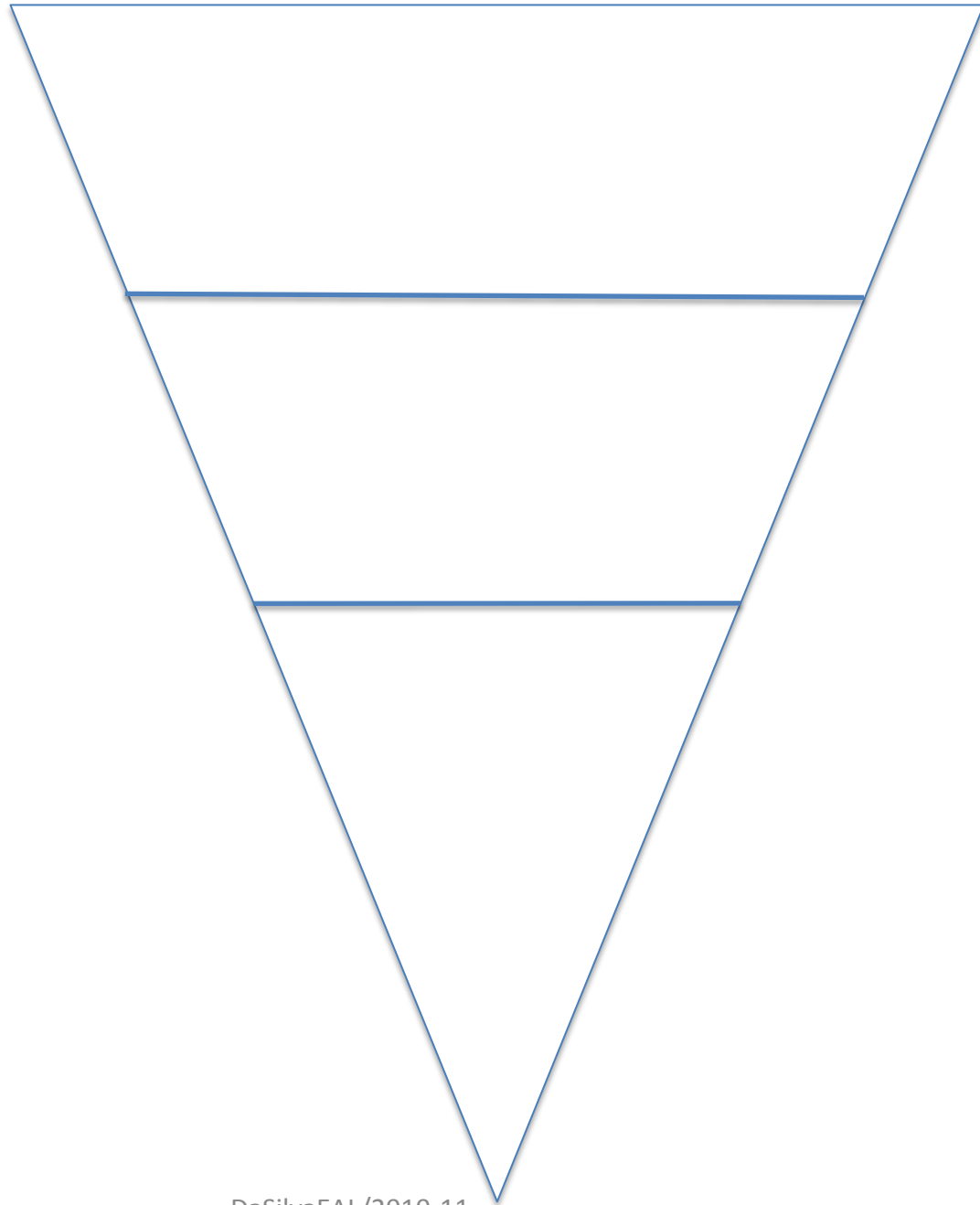
Once I have chosen my topic, can I start taking notes right away?

What techniques can I use to narrow down the topic I choose?

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2. Now that I have narrowed down my topic,



what information do I need to research?
I need to make a list of research questions.

How do we come up with these research questions when we don't know much about our topic?



A. Brainstorm.

What do *you already know* about your topic?

B. Read the *guiding questions* *on the pathfinder.*

C. Do some **background reading**.
Read only for the general idea.



D. **Brainstorm** questions.

Part of the topic itself	<i>What kind?</i> <i>What about?</i>
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E. Write down research questions for your topic. Use a **graphic organizer**. Or make a **list**. Compare with the guiding questions.

